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FCC,

We received a bulletin from K-LOVE indicating Low Power FM (LPFM) may be given a priority over current radio stations using FM translators.

While I don't profess to be an expert on the need for, use, or potential use of LPFM or FM translators; I do consider myself knowledgeable on the need for a radio service that is positive and uplifting, in their talk and in their songs - for we clearly don't have enough of these stations servicing the listening audience.

Therefore, if the FCC were to create, authorize or expand LPFM in such a way that it would (or could) negatively impact radio stations such as K-LOVE, I believe that would be a disservice to the radio listening community.

Why? Well, for three main reasons:

First, as a member of that listening audience, I personally enjoy the messages, in both word and song, which K-LOVE provides. I can think of no other radio station more powerful and positive to begin, sustain, or end my day than the style of programming on K-LOVE.

Second, I am not alone. While I am not a "bumper sticker" type of person, I do notice hundreds of bumper stickers advertising K-LOVE. The service it provides the Dayton-Springfield, OH area isn't just it's style of programming, they also provide our general area with key information regarding significant events for the listening audience to attend - all geared towards making the community better - have fun while you're doing it.

And third, it serves the public interest in two ways. For us who reply on K-LOVE for it's positive programming and inspirational message, as we travel from area to area, state to state, we can continue to receive this awesome radio station because of it's nationwide broadcast. Likewise, the public knows that K-LOVE is national, that they are sharing the words and music with hundreds of thousands (if not millions) of listeners throughout our great nation, and this kind of positive bond certainly is something we want to continue fostering.

I have no direct control over whether the FCC limits, places on hold, or expands LPFM capabilities. Nor do I know if the FCC has plans to grandfather radio stations currently providing nation-wide programming, as K-LOVE does. However, if I did have the power or control, I would take no action limiting K-LOVE's ability to broadcast it's style of programming that serves the individual, the community and the nation so superbly.

I certainly hope all FCC decisions related to this issue give significant weight to the narrative above, and that no action is taken, in any way, that would limit K-LOVE's ability to broadcast its powerful, positive and uplifting message.

Thank You, and God bless!

Sincerely,

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